

Meeting Dates

The Charter Revision Commission will generally meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays (holidays excluded) of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall. Meeting notices will be posted in the Town Clerk's office, on the Town's website (www.newingtonct.gov), on Channel 14 and in local newspapers, when practicable.

**The Commission has up to 16 months (April 11, 2009) to complete its review.*

Public Hearings

In addition to its regular meetings, the Commission is required to hold a minimum of two Public Hearings for public input. Once the Commission submits its Final Report to the Town Council, the Council will also hold a Public Hearing on the proposed changes. Once the Council adopts the Final Report, the proposed Charter revisions will be submitted to a referendum for a vote by Newington voters.

Public Participation

The public is invited to attend any of the Commission's meetings or Public Hearings and participate under Public Participation.

Contact Information

The public is welcome to contact the Charter Revision Commission members by email at the following addresses:

Nancy Bafundo, Chair	nbafundo@newingtonct.gov
Tony Boni	tboni@newingtonct.gov
Peter Boorman	pboorman@newingtonct.gov
Robert Briggaman	rbriggaman@newingtonct.gov
Alan Nafis	anafis@newingtonct.gov

In addition, written communication may be addressed to:

Charter Revision Commission
c/o Town Manager's Office
131 Cedar Street
Newington, CT 06111

or faxed to 860 665-8507

If preferred, the public may also contact the Town Manager's Office by phone at 860 665-8510.



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December 11, 2007 -
April 11, 2009*



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Town Charter

The residents of Newington are a body politic and corporate under the name "Town of Newington." The Town, as such, has all powers and privileges conferred upon towns under the laws of the State of Connecticut and by the Town Charter. The original Town Charter became effective September 27, 1966 and has been readopted and amended several times since. The last revisions to the Charter were made in 1991.

On December 11, 2007, the Newington Town Council, in accordance with Chapter 99 of the Connecticut General Statutes, provided for the initiation of an action for the adoption, amendment or repeal of the Town Charter and established a Charter Revision Commission.



CHARTER REVISION COMMISSION

The Town Council established a five member Charter Revision Commission on December 11, 2007 and appointed the following members:

Nancy Bafundo, Chair
Tony Boni
Peter Boorman
Robert Briggaman
Alan Nafis

CHARGE OF THE COMMISSION

The Commission has the ability to review all aspects of the Charter in addition to any specific charges given by the Town Council. Specific charges given by the Council include:

- Consider changes to the method prescribed in the Town Charter for the approval of the Town and Board of Education budgets, including consideration of a mandatory referendum under certain circumstances,
- Examine dollar limitations imposed by the Town Charter and to consider methods of adjusting those limits, including indexation to a generally accepted price index,
- Consider ways to make the level and delivery of town services more efficient and cost effective, including eliminating or consolidating Town agencies, boards and commissions,

- In addition to the required public hearings, extend invitations to current and former Town Council members, members of other boards and commissions, and the Town Manager, to appear before the Commission and express their views on possible changes to Newington's Town Charter,
- Consider changes to Section 303 regarding the appointment of a Director of Health; Section 605 regarding the appointment of the Superintendent of Parks and Recreation; Section 609 regarding the appointment of the Town Treasurer; Section 611 regarding the appointment of the Town Planner; and Section 708 regarding the residency requirement for the Revenue Collector.

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